

## Career Choices Research Project

**Due Date:** Tuesday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013

### **“What do you want to be when you grow up?”**

I am sure that you’ve been asked this question a million times, and while you may be tired of it, this ten word question is actually quite important! You may think that your career and job will start “a long way off” from now, but starting to plan for the future right now is a very smart idea! When you get to the point of selecting your career, you want to be able to have a choice, don’t you?

For our research project this year, we will begin to explore your career interests and take the time to learn about what your job really means. In researching your career opportunities, you must answer the following questions:

- 1) What type or kind of jobs are there in this profession?
  - 2) How do you prepare to be successful for this career (i.e. what education, certifications will you need, etc.)?
  - 3) What is a typical day for someone in this profession?
  - 4) What is the biggest challenge of this profession?
  - 5) What is the salary range of jobs in this profession?
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\*\*\* For Question #6, you must come up with your own question.

To help answer these questions, you need to use the library resources and website provided to you by your teacher. You may NOT use Wikipedia or any search engine (Google, etc.) without prior approval from your teacher.

You will learn how to take notes from these resources and how to create a bibliography that cites where you got your information from. You will be responsible for completing the Cornell notes over each question and you will turn in your notes, your bibliography and this sheet (the rubric) in when you present your project.

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In the end, your grade will be based upon three things:

1) Your PowerPoint Presentation: You must include (a) a title slide (career choice and your name must be on it); (b) a slide for each question listed above; (c) at least one image on each slide. On each slide, you must answer the questions in a paragraph (minimum of 6 complete sentences) and the answers must be in your own words (DO NOT COPY AND PASTE!!!! That is Plagiarism and will result in a "0" for your grade)

2) Your Bibliography: Using Easybib.com, properly cite each source used. You must use at least one print source (a book or encyclopedia), and two websites. You may use more than three sources, but three is the minimum. Write down your sources below.

Print Source (Book or Encyclopedia): \_\_\_\_\_

Website #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Website #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Sources: \_\_\_\_\_

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3.) Your notes that you take to compile your research.

Your grade will be divided up as follows:

Presentation and PowerPoint Slides \_\_\_\_\_/70

Completed Easybib Bibliography \_\_\_\_\_/15

Research Skills (All notes submitted) \_\_\_\_\_/15

Final Grade: \_\_\_\_\_/100